NOTE VIII.

ON A NEW SPECIES OF LANISTES.

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(Plate 8, figs. 1 and 2).

Lanistes congicus Boettger.

Testa sinistrorsa, anguste umbilicata, conico-globosa, aut flavido- aut viridi-olivacea, semper fasciis spiralibus purpureis angustis in anfr. ultimo picta; spira scalaris, magis minusve conica; apex obtusus. Anfr. $5^1/_2$, *superne vel acute angulati vel carinati, supra plani, carina interdum linea spirali impressa circumscripta, infra convexiusculi, sutura impressa disjuncti, irregulariter ruguloso-striati, spiraliter non lineati, ultimus* $^3/_5$ *altudinis aequans, convexus, modice inflatus, carina suturalis magis minusve evanescente, ad umbilicum compresso-carinatus, carina obtusa. Apertura subsemicircularis, intus alba, purpureo spiraliter fasciata, peristoma simplex, margine parietali brevi subprotracto, columellari inferoque modice incrassatis. — Operculum tenue, corneum, superne subangulatum, basi subrotundatum.*

Alt. 32—35, *diam. max.* $33^1/_2$—$34^1/_2$, *alt. apert.* 21, *lat. apert.* 14—15 *mm.*

Specimens of this species, collected at Landana, have been procured by the Leyden Museum from Mr. Petit Ainé. I sent some of them to Dr. Boettger of Frankfort o/M., who has occupied himself some time ago with Mollusks from the Congo, and who found them identical with the species described above.

As the species was not yet described, Dr. Boettger kindly allowed me to publish here his description of the type specimens, which were collected near the village Elau, on 2 days journey from San Salvador, Congo.

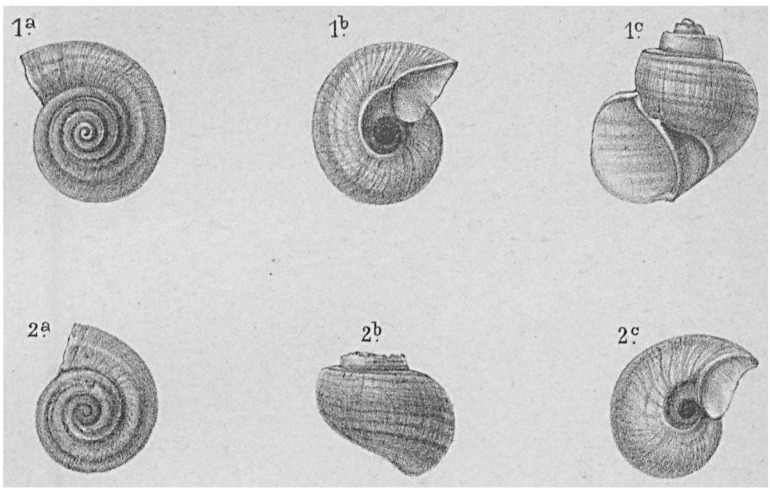
The specimens of the Leyden Museum (see plate 8, figs. 1 and 2) are, however, much smaller than those of Dr. Boettger, who says on this subject: I think that none of your two small varieties ought to bear a distinct name.

The specimens vary in the carina of the base, which is more or less sharply marked, and in the elevation of the spire, which is much eroded in nearly all the specimens.

The measurements of a few specimens of the Leyden Museum are:

Alt.	23,	diam.	max.	21½,	alt.	apert.	15,	lat.	apert.	11 mm.
»	16,	»	»	21,	»	»	13,	»	»	10 »
»	16,	»	»	19,	»	»	13,	»	»	9½ »
»	11½,	»	»	14,	»	»	9,	»	»	7 »

Rhoon near Rotterdam, February 1891.



1, 2, 3. A.J J.Wendel } ad nat. del. A.J.J.Wendel lith. P.W.M.Trap impr.
4, 5. W. F. Jacobs }

1, 2. Lanistes congicus *Boettg.* var.